# Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting February 18, 2014 at 7 p.m Municipal Building 90 N. West Street Spencer, IN 47460

A special public hearing was held for the purpose of presenting the recommendations for the Comprehensive Master Park Plan. Matt Sward, with SIDC was on hand along with a representative from Rundell Ernstberger Associates for the presentation. After the presentation, questions and comments were taken from the attendees. The next steps are to submit to the Department of Natural resources for comments. The hearing was concluded at 7:25 p.m. at which time, the regular meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Board Members present:</u> Cynthia Hyde, Jon Stantz, and Dean Bruce <u>Also present:</u> Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge, Street Superintendent Larry Parrish, Chief Marshal Foutch, Michael Stanley,

#### MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR February 18, 2014 REGULAR MEETING Jon Stantz made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected (2013 to 2014), seconded by Dean Bruce and passed 3-0.

## **IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES**

Bill Maegerlein, with AME, requested that they be allowed to run a temporary line from the Court House to the Annex until the end of the year. The town agreed that as long as it is within the proper height requirements, there should not be a problem. Larry Parrish will check take a look at it.

Matt Sward, with SIDC, presented Resolution 2014-02, Approval of the Comprehensive Master Park Plan. Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the resolution. It was seconded and passed 3-0.

Next Matt Sward presented two invoices from Tabor Bruce Architects for the Rural Health Clinic project in the amount of \$40,903.80. According to the Grant, as sub-recipient, Centerstone is responsible for these expenses, but they will pass thru the Town. Due to a clerical error, Centerstone sent a check in the amount of \$77,035.49, so the remaining \$36,131.69 will be returned to them.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the payment of the Bruce Tabor invoices. The motion was seconded and passed 3-0.

#### IN THE MATTER OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Cynthia Hyde announced that a new Director, Gwynn Tucker, has been hired to lead the department.

#### IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Marshal Foutch reported on his department. He also reported that the department reviewed applications for Reserve Officers and chose three more; Craig Jefferies, Austin Combs, and Anthony Pope. Along with Seth Miller, who was approved at the last meeting, they were sworn in by the Clerk Treasurer.

Jon Stantz made a motion to add the three new candidates to the Reserve Officers roster, seconded by Dean Bruce and passed 3-0.

### IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Nothing to report.

### IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Larry Parrish reported that he located 22 tons of salt for the cost of \$2,200 which includes delivery. Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the purchase of the salt for \$2,200. It was seconded and approved.

Parrish also reported that he contacted Fowler Tree Service about topping the two sweet gum trees, and got an estimate of \$2,000.00. He also called Gosport Tree Service, and got an estimate of \$700.00. Jon Stantz suggested using Chad Gates with Gosport, if he was insured. If not, he should go with Fowler.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve Chad Gates, with Gosport Tree Service, pending proof of insurance, if not, authorize Fowler Tree Service to cut down the trees. The motion was seconded and passed.

Larry Parrish also reported he has had made quite a few repairs to his trucks and equipment lately. Jon Stantz asked that Larry fill a couple of potholes in the alley by McDonald's.

### IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge had nothing to report.

### **IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY**

Richard Lorenz was not present.

### **IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve an invoice from GRW in the amount of \$3,281.25 for State Rd 46 Lighting Project. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jon Stantz reported that they had a re-organization meeting for the Solid Waste District. Cynthia Hyde asked about the closing of the Owen County Recycling Center. Some discussion followed, and alternatives to closing were discussed. George Thurston discussed using a horizontal compacter, to alleviate the dumpsters. The Town Council agreed to look into the alternatives and discuss at a future meeting.

Cynthia Hyde also asked what areas in the town, would be considered for blight funds. Jon Stantz had a suggestion, which he would put into writing so Cynthia could in turn, send to Jenny Derwester for consideration.

### **IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Claims were presented for approval.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the claims as presented. It was seconded and passed 3-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8	3:00p.m.	
Cynthia Hyde, President	Jon Stantz, Vice-President	Dean Bruce, Board Member
Attest:Cheryl Moke, Clerk-	Treasurer	